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1. Applicant's election of species III is acknowledged. However, applicant did not identify those claims applicant deems as reading on species III as required. See MPEP 809.02(a).

Conclusion

2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Exmr. Michael E. Butler whose telephone number is (571) 272-6937.

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